

Readers Corner

Discussion questions for February 27, 2024

Wish You Were Here by Jodi Picoult

Intro: Diana chooses to stay on Isabela, even though she knows it might mean getting stuck there. Has there ever been a time in your life when you made a split-second decision that surprised you?

1. Diana was trapped in the Galápagos, unable to return to New York City due to travel restrictions. But she managed to make friends and explore the island every day. Do you think she would have been more or less isolated if she had stayed in the city?

2. Diana and her mother have a complicated relationship, but by the end of the novel, Diana understands her mom much better and is finally able to forgive her. What do you think allowed Diana to forgive? In what ways do our relationships with our parents—even when those relationships are tense—define who we are?

3. How do you interpret the book's ending? Who do you think has saved Diana from falling?